

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: William Michael Lafferty Art Unit: 1634  
Application No.: 09/894,956 Examiner: B.J. Forman  
Filed: June 27, 2001 Confirmation No.: 7268  
Title: CAPILLARY ARRAY-BASED SAMPLE SCREENING

MAIL STOP RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application please find:

1. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (1 pg.);
2. Petition for Extension of Time (one (1) month) (2 pgs. in duplicate);
3. Check No. 563160 in the amount of \$440.00 and
4. Return Receipt Postcard.

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8**

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail on this date, **July 16, 2004**, in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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**July 16, 2004**  
(Date)

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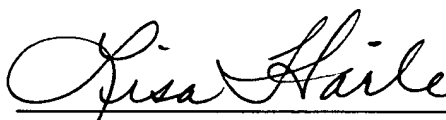
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Applicants claim **SMALL ENTITY** status in the above-identified application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.27, a verified statement claiming small entity status is not required.

Enclosed is Check No. 563160 in the amount of \$440.00 in payment of the request for continued examination fee (\$385.00) and the one (1) month extension of time fee (\$55.00). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: July 16, 2004



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